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Please correct claim 7 as shown on the attached page.

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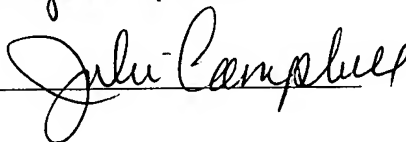
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It is certified that an error appears or errors appear in the above-identified patent and that said Letters Patent is hereby corrected as shown below:

Please replace claim 7 as follows:

– 7. A lockable toilet fill valve, comprising:  
a toilet fill valve with an actuating arm;  
the toilet fill valve being closed when the actuating arm is disposed in a first position;  
the toilet fill valve being open when the actuating arm is disposed in a second position; and  
a valve lock associated with the actuating arm, the valve lock including an unlock position and a lock position, wherein the valve lock fixes the actuating arm in the first position when the valve lock is in the lock position, and wherein the valve lock is connected to the actuating arm, the valve lock sliding along the actuating arm from the unlock position to the lock position, and the valve lock engaging a portion of the toilet fill valve and the actuating arm when in the lock position.–

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Claim 7 should read as follows (erroneous material crossed out or bracketed [[ ]], added material underlined):

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the toilet fill valve being open when the actuating arm is disposed in a second position;  
and

a valve lock associated with the actuating arm, the valve lock including an unlock position and a lock position, wherein the valve lock fixes the actuating arm in the first position when the valve lock is in the lock position, and wherein the valve lock is connected to the actuating arm, the valve lock sliding along the actuating arm from the unlock position to the lock position, and the valve lock engaging a portion of the toilet fill valve and the actuating arm when in the lock position.